

Hornpipes and Jigs

7 LESSONS · INTERMEDIATE

Welcome to Hornpipes and Jigs. I built this course to give you exactly this: the lighter side of competition and recital playing — timing, swing, and the tunes that make hornpipes and jigs a joy to play.

- ☐ **01 Classic Hornpipes by Donald MacLeod**
Hear six MacLeod hornpipes, ordered roughly from approachable to advanced, to find your starting tune.
December 19, 2025 · 46m · Tunes & Repertoire

- ☐ **02 Practice Chanter Session — March 19, 2025**
Nail the birl-into-quarter-note timing that gives a jig its bounce.
March 19, 2025 · 49m · Practice Chanter Sessions

- ☐ **03 Practice Chanter Session April**
Work Mockingbird Hill, a jig that tests top-hand fluency with almost no GDEs.
April 18, 2025 · 59m · Practice Chanter Sessions

- ☐ **04 Secrets of the Doubling**
Clean up doublings, since hornpipes lean on them constantly for their character.
March 19, 2026 · 1h 6m · Fingering & Technique

- ☐ **05 Pipe Tunes from Around the World: Galician, Asturian, Breton Tunes and More**
Hear how jig and 6/8 forms show up across piping traditions well beyond Highland music.
April 30, 2025 · 53m · Tunes & Repertoire

- ☐ **06 Jazz up Your Piping**
Borrow phrasing ideas to bring extra swing and life to your hornpipes and jigs.
October 12, 2023 · 1h 2m · Expression & Musicality

- ☐ **07 What Makes This Tune Great? Cameron Quickstep**
Study the Cameron Quickstep's staccato character, a close cousin of the hornpipe feel.
April 1, 2025 · 55m · Tunes & Repertoire